## Claims

- Computer program for escaping a signaling transfer point (STP) signaling connection control part (SCCP) and for identifying a single application service request, comprising the steps of:
  mapping an incoming global title (GT) of an incoming SS7 message to an internal subsystem number (SSN) of a local user,
  mapping the internal SSN to a set of application service requests,
  identifying a single application service request using transaction capabilities application part (TCAP) filter mechanism.
- 2. The computer program, as set forth in claim 1, wherein mapping is performed using online configurable tables.
- 3. Computer program for escaping a signaling transfer point (STP) signaling connection control part (SCCP) and for identifying a single application service, comprising the steps of:
  - routing an incoming SS7 message to an internal subsystem number (SSN) of a local user based on an incoming subsystem number (SSN),

mapping the internal SSN to a set of application service requests, identifying a single application service request using transaction capabilities application part (TCAP) filter mechanism.

- The computer program, as set forth in claim 3, wherein mapping and routing is performed using online configurable tables.
- 5. Computer program for escaping a signaling transfer point (STP) signaling connection control part (SCCP) and for identifying a single application service request, comprising the steps of:
  - mapping an incoming global title (GT) of an incoming SS7 message to an internal subsystem number (SSN) of a local user or routing an incoming SS7 message to an internal subsystem number (SSN) of a local user based on an incoming subsystem number (SSN),
  - mapping the internal SSN to a corresponding single application service request stored in a table including SSNs and corresponding single application service requests.
- 6. Interworking protocol between a signaling transfer point (STP) for processing SS7 messages and a signaling application server (SAS) for processing application service requests, wherein the interworking protocol is TCP/IP or UDP/IP including at least one field reserved to include a single application service request to be processed in the SAS.
- 7. Interworking protocol, as set forth in claim 6, wherein the interworking protocol includes a header and a pyload, wherein the payload includes at least one SCCP message, and wherein the header includes at least one of the following parameters: address information of the sending

- unit in the STP, SCCP message type, internal application service id, GT translation indicator.
- 8. Signaling transfer point (STP) for routing SS7 links comprising at least one processor and at least one processing software to process incoming SS7 messages, to identify a single application service request in the incoming SS7 message, and to provide the identified single application service request to a signaling application server (SAS) for further processing, wherein the at least one processing software includes a SCCP Local User Escape process to identify a single application service request out of a signaling connection control part (SCCP).
- 9. Signaling transfer point (STP), as set forth in claim 8, wherein the at least one processing software includes at least a computer program as set forth in claim 1 or a a computer program as set forth in claim 3 or a computer program as set forth in claim 5.